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FM AMEMBASSY KABUL

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 9996

INFO 89TH MAW ANDREWS AFB, MARYLAND/DON

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FOR NEA/PAB, AUSTRIAN FROM CHARGE

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS:1OTRA, AF, OREP (WOLFF, LESTER L.)

SUBJ: CODEL WOLFF

REF: STATE 268809 DTG 012240Z NOV 76

1. U.S. MISSION AND GOVT OF AFGHANISTAN (GOA) VERY PLEASED WITH HIGH PRIORITY ASSIGNED KABUL VISIT BY CODEL WOLFF.

2. HEAD OF STATE AND PRIME MINISTER DAOUD HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF AT 11:00 AM ON NOVEMBER 14. REMAINDER OF SCHEDULE AND ARRANGEMENTS SUGGESTED BELOW.

3. THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE ARRIVAL TIME. UPON RECEIPT OF REFTEL AND DOD MESSAGE 89TH MAW ANDREWS AFB, MARYLAND/DON 011730Z NOV J

JFK WE CONTACTED AFGHAN AIR AUTHORITY TO BE CERTAIN THAT THEY WOULD GRANT AN EXCEPTION FOR A NIGHT LANDING. WE HAVE NOW BEEN TOLD THAT AFGHAN AIR AUTHORITY WILL NOT REPEAT WILL NOT GRANT A WAIVER FOR A VIHCAIRCRAFT FLOWN BY A PILOT UNFAMILIAR WITH KABUL AIRPORT IN VIEW OF LACK OF ADEQUATE APPROACH FACILITIES AT KABUL AIRPORT AND IMPORTANCE OF PASSENGERS ON BOARD. NOTE: DESPITE JEPPESEN APPROACH CHART, WAIVER MUST STILL BE OBTAINED FROM AFGHAN  
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AIR AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT FLIGHT OPERATIONS AFTER SUNSET.

(FYI: U.S. AIR ATTAL CQK BUL ALSO FEELS THAT NIGHT OPERATIONS  
WTVED PRESWFTNJ COMPROMISE TO FLIGHT SAFETY.)

4. WE MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE OF OVERRULING THE AFGHAN AIR  
AUTHORITY IF WE WENT TO THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE GOA;  
HOWEVER, I THINK SUCH AN APPEAL WOULD RPOK ERODING OUR  
PRESENT EXCELLENT RELATIONS WITH SULTAN GHAZI AND AFGHAN AIR  
AUTHORITY UPON WHOSE CONTINUING GOOD WILL WE ARE QUITE  
DEPENDENT FOR OTHER EXTREMELY IMPORTANT PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS.  
ALSO, I AM NOT RPT NOT CONFIDENT THAT THE HIGHEST AUTHORITIES  
WOULD AGREE TO OVERRULE THE AIR AUTHORITY AND TAKE THE RESPON-  
SIBILITY FOR THE RISKS A NIGHT LANDING WOULD ENTAIL.

5. THEREFORE, HOPE THE FLIGHT FROM MUNICH CAN BE SCHEDULED  
TO ARRIVE IN KABUL NOT LATER THAN 1220Z WHICH IS 1650 LOCAL.  
ALTERNATIVELY, DEPARTURE FROM MUNICH COULD BE TIMED SO THAT  
ARRIVAL IN AFGHANISTAN INEARLY MORNING NOVEMBER 14. WE  
WILL ADJUST TO WHATEVER SEEMS MOST SUITABLE FOR OBJECTIVES  
OF CODEL.

6. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED DRAFT SCHEDULE (ASSUMING ARRIVAL  
NOVEMBER 13):

5:00 PM -- ARRIVAL. WELCOME BY GOA AND EMBASSY PERSONNEL.

TRANSPORT TO HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL.

EVENING -- INFORMAL FAMILY STYLE DINNERS FOR CODEL AND  
STAFF AT INDIVIDUAL HOMES OF SENIOR MEMBERS OF  
U.S. MISSION.

NOVEMBER 14

9:30 AM -- BRIEFING OF CODEL BY CHIEF OF MISSION

10:15 AM -- DEPART FOR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
(IF CODEL ARRIVES EARLY MORNING, WE WILL ADJUST  
THESE FIRST TWO EVENTS TO CONVIENCE OF PARTY).

10:30, -:2-- TALKS WITH SENIOR FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS.  
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11:00 AM -- CALL ON PRESIDENT DAOUD  
(NOTE: AFGHAN PROTOCOL IS INFLEXIBLE IN LIMIT-  
ING CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT TO THREE PERSONS  
ACCOMPANIED BY CHIEF OF MISSION. PLEASE ADVISE  
WHICH OTHER TWO MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL ACCOMPANY  
REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF).

ALTERNATE PROGRAMS ARE BEING ARRANGED FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS NOT INVOLVED IN THE ABOVE EVENTS.

AFTERNOON -- IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CALL ON THE PRESIDENT,  
AT 11:45 OR 1200, WE PROPOSE FOR WHOLE CODEL  
CODEL PARTY EITHER:

-- A TWO AN ONE HALF HOUR MOTOR TRIP THROUGH  
-- SPECTACULAR KABUL GORGE (WITH BOX LUNCH ENROUTE)  
TO JALALABAD TO SEE POPPY GROWING AREAS, CALL ON  
GOVERNOR, AND SEE NEW LY ESTABLISHED ANTI-NARCOTICS  
SMUGGLING UNIT (ASU). JALALABAD HAS A BAZAAR  
AND HADDA ANTIQUITY SITE (GANDAHARAN PERIOD).

-- OR --

-- USE OF CODEL PLANE TO FLY (60 MINUTES - LUNCH ON  
PLANE) TO IMPORTANT SOUTHWEST CITY OF KANDAHAR --  
ALSO, WITH OBJECTIVE OF SEEING OPPTY-GROWING AREAS,  
NEW ANSU, AND GOVERNOR. KANDHAAR HAS FAMOUS OLD  
BAZAAR AND PRE-MOGUL ANTIQUITY SITE BEING WORKED  
ON BY BRITISH. RETURN TO KABUL BY 5:00 PM.

(NOTE: IF JALALABAD ALTERNATIVE CHOSE, WE PLAN  
FLY REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF BACK TO KABUL IN  
CHARTERED AIRCRAFT AT 4:30 PM TO ATTEND OFFICIAL  
FUNCTION AT 6:30 PM. CODEL PLANE CANNOT LAND AT  
JALALABAD. CHARTER PLANE HOLDS 16 SEATS FOR PARTY, PLUS  
TWO ESCORT OFFICERS. REMAINDER OF PARTY WOULD  
RETURN TO KABUL BY ROAD, ARRIVING AT 7:30 PM).

6:30 - 8:30 PM -- OFFICIAL RECEPTION FOR CODEL (TENTATIVE)

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MORNING -- REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF AND COMPANIONS DEPART  
FOR ISLAMABAD

(ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO  
DO NOT TRAVEL TO PAKISTAN).

AFTERNOON -- REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF AND PARTY RETURN.

6:30 - 8:30 PM -- OFFICIAL RECEPTION

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8:00 AM -- BAGGAGE CALL

9:15 AM -- DEPART FOR AIRPORT

10:00 AM -- DEPART FOR CAIRO.  
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